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Juilliard String Quartet, Violist Michael Tree Will Perform on October 13–14
Ridge Quartet Will Perform in Next Saturday Series Concert

The Juilliard String Quartet and violist Michael Tree will perform string quintets of Mozart and Brahms on Thursday and Friday evenings, October 13 and 14, in the Library's Coolidge Auditorium. The concerts will begin at 8 p.m.

To open the concert, the members of the Juilliard String Quartet will play three lesser known works, each a small piece written by one great artist in memory of another: the canon from *In Memoriam Igor Fedorovich Stravinsky* by Roger Sessions, *Hommage à Igor Stravinsky* by Darius Milhaud, and the *Double Canon—Raoul Dufy in Memoriam,* by Stravinsky. Michael Tree, well known to chamber music audiences as the violist of the Guarneri Quartet, will join the other artists to perform Mozart's Quintet in D major, K. 593, and the Quintet in G major, Op. 111 of Brahms.

The concerts are sponsored by the Gertrude Clarke Whittall Foundation, and members of the Juilliard String Quartet will use Stradivari instruments given to the Library by Mrs. Whittall. Concert tickets will be distributed at the Washington Performing Arts Society box office at 1330 G St. N.W. (Jordan-Kitt's), beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, October 10. Two tickets will be distributed to an individual, with a 25-cent service charge on each ticket. Phone orders may be placed by calling 393–4463. Mail orders are not accepted.

The concert on Friday evening will be broadcast live over radio station WETA–FM and made available to stations in other cities by Eastern Public Radio, under the auspices of the Katie and Walter Louchheim Fund in the Library of Congress.

The Ridge Quartet will be the new artists performing in the second concert in the Saturday Series at the Library of Congress on Saturday, October 15, at 5:30 p.m. First prize winners in 1982 of both the Fischoff National Chamber Music Competition and the Coleman

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Robert Rinehart, Krista Bennion, Matthias Buchholz, and Ramon Bolipata. Photograph by Chrostoph Lehmann.

Chamber Music Competition, the members of the quartet—violinists Krista Bennion and Robert Rinehart, violist Matthias Buchholz, and cellist Ramon Bolipata—are all alumni of the Curtis Institute of Music and have participated in the Marlboro Music Festival. They made their New York debut in April on the distinguished New School Concerts series.

For their program on October 15, the Ridge Quartet will play Beethoven's Quartet in A major, Op. 18, No. 5; Bartók's Quartet No. 2, Op. 17; and the Quartet in E-flat major, Op. 51 of Dvořák.

Later this season, the Saturday Series will present Naumburg Award winners (baritone Jan Opalach, violist Thomas Riebl with pianist Deborah Sobol, the Jubal Trio, and the Colorado String Quartet) and baritone Henry Herford, winner of the 1982 International American Music Competition for Vocalists.

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Tickets for these programs will be available from the Music Division the week of each event. Persons wishing to reserve tickets should call (202) 287–5502.

New Technologies in Book Distribution to Be Studied

The Center for the Book, in response to a request from UNESCO's Division for Book Promotion and International Exchanges, is sponsoring a research project concerning the effect of new technologies on book distribution. The final report will include (1) a description of the component parts in the book distribution process and how each of them is being or might be modified by new technologies, (2) a description of the preconditions that should exist before new technologies are introduced, and (3) a general discussion of the problems that will be faced by the book industry as a result of new techniques and methods of distribution.

The study is being prepared for the Center for the Book by the firm of SKP Associates of New York City. It will be submitted to UNESCO early in the spring of 1984.

Flora Laney Thornton Named To Library Trust Fund Board

The appointment of Flora Laney Thornton to the Library of Congress Trust Fund Board has been announced by President Reagan. Mrs. Thornton, a resident of Los Angeles, Calif., will serve as a public member of the board for five years from last March 9. She succeeds Milton A. Wolf.

The Trust Fund Board was established by an act of Congress in 1925 to accept gifts of money or property on behalf of the Library for purposes of investment and to manage the trust fund investments. The ex officio members are Secretary of the Treasury Donald T. Regan; Senator Charles McC. Mathias, Chairman, Joint Committee on the Library; and Librarian of Congress Daniel J. Boorstin. The other public member, also appointed by the President for a five-year term, is Mrs. Charles W. Engelhard.

Mrs. Thornton is a member of the Board of Regents of Pepperdine University. She also serves as a member of the Associates of the University of Southern California and is a member of the Board of Directors of the Los Angeles World Affairs Council. In 1981, she served as commissioner of the California Commission on Food and Nutrition.

A benefactor of the Los Angeles Music Center and the Los Angeles County Museum of Art, Mrs.

Thornton has maintained a life-long interest in the arts. She was a professional singer until her marriage in 1937 to Charles B. Thornton, then with the U.S. Department of the Interior in Washington, D.C. Mr. Thornton later became an internationally recognized designer of management systems and one of the founders of Litton Industries. He died in 1981.

Mrs. Thornton has two sons, Charles Bates Thornton, Jr., of La Canada, Calif., and William Laney Thornton of San Francisco.

Library Visitors during August

From Abroad

Brazil—Pedro Neto, chief of staff, Brazilian Senate, Rio de Janeiro.

Colombia—Alvaro Gomez, vice president and ambassador, Bogota.

Comoro Islands—Said Ahmed Cheikh, secretary-general of the presidency of the republic in charge of Islamic affairs, Moroni.

Egypt—Nawal Bialy, director general, Scientific Information Documentation and Publishing Section, Egyptian Academy of Scientific Research and Technology, Cairo.

England—Geoffrey Martin, keeper of the records, London.

France—J. P. Veuve, director, Association pour la Conservation et la Reproduction Photographique de la Presse, Paris.

Hong Kong—Nam Chan, deputy news editor, *Wen Wei Po,* Chinese language daily.

India—Shyam Gupta, editor, *State Enterprise,* Council of Research on Latin Economic Relations, New Delhi.

Indonesia—Panangian Pangaribuan, head, Division for Private Institutions and Cultural Affairs, Bureau of Foreign Technical Cooperation, Cabinet Secretariat, Jakarta.

Israel—Snunith Shoham, lecturer, Graduate School of Library and Archive Studies, Hebrew University, Jerusalem.

Italy—Vani Garofoli, deputy chairman, Energy Nuclear and Energy Alternative, Rome; Mr. Lunati, chief executive officer, *Il Sole 24 Ores,* Milan, and Mrs. Lunati.

Japan—Masahiro Arao, The Librarian, National Diet Library, Tokyo.

People's Republic of China—Shudong Tsong, M.D., National Institute for Family Planning, Beijing.

Philippines—Nilda Ocampo, librarian, Pamphlet and Documents Section, Library of Asian Development Bank, Manila.

The president of the regional government of Valencia, Spain, Juan Francisco Lerma, joined by Valencia counselor of culture Cipria Ciscar Casaban, counselor of industry Segundo Bru Para, and governmental officer José Eduardo Castells, visited the Library of Congress on August 22. The party had a tour of the Jefferson Building and visited the Hispanic Reading Room, where they were greeted by John R. Hébert, acting chief of the division, and saw a demonstration of a search of the Library's computerized data base. Sr. Lerma later met with Assistant Librarian for Research Services John C. Broderick, at which time he presented Mr. Broderick with a 1979 facsimile copy of the first book printed in Spain, the 1474 Obres e Tropes en Lahors de la Verge Maria, *originally published in Valencia. The Spanish officials were brought to the Library by the newly appointed Spanish cultural attaché Carlos Abella.*

Pictured above in the foyer of the Hispanic Reading Room are (foreground, left to right) Mr. Hébert and Sr. Lerma, with the other visitors from Spain.

Poland—Anna Rogozinska, foreign affairs commentator, *Zycie Warszawy,* Warsaw.

Portugal—Joao Carlos de Freitas Branco Paes, counselor (cultural affairs), Embassy of Portugal, Washington, D.C.

Romania—Liana Alexandra Moraru, composer, pianist, and assistant professor, Cypıian Porumbescu Conservatory, Bucharest.

Rwanda—Christophe Byibeshyo, counsellor, Counseil d'Etat, Supreme Court of Rwanda, Kigali.

Saudi Arabia—Saad Al-Barrak, dean of libraries, King Faisal University, Riyadh; Saleh Al-Gorian, director general of the civil service, Riyadh.

South Africa—Johann Loubser, chief librarian for book stock and joint catalog, Pretoria.

South Korea—Seung Leu, president of the Academy of Korean Studies, Seoul.

Those present for the August 22 meeting on the Library's Mideast Acquisitions Program included (front row, left to right) Marsha McClintock, Ohio State University; Abazar Sepehri, University of Texas at Austin; Brenda Bickett, Georgetown University; Martha Dukas, Boston Public Library; James Armstrong; and Basima Bezirgan, University of Chicago; (second row, left to right) Rodney Sarle; Todd Thompson, New York Public Library; John Eilts, University of Michigan; David Partington, Harvard University; William Yagodich, National Agricultural Library; Fawzi Abdulruzak, Harvard University; Dennis Hyde, University of Pennsylvania; Michael Albin; and Richard Martin, University of Virginia. Fawzi Khoury, University of Washington, was not present for the photograph.

Thirteen representatives of 30 research libraries participating in the Library of Congress Cooperative Acquisitions Program for the Middle East met at the Library on August 19 in an all-day session chaired by Rodney Sarle, chief of the Overseas Operations Division. In the morning session, delegates met with Michael Albin, field director of the Library's Cairo office, who was here on consultations from August 15 to 26, to discuss with him operational problems and policies of the program. In the afternoon session, the group met with Peter Young of the Cataloging Distribution Service, Frances Morton of the Descriptive Cataloging Division, and George Atiyeh of the African and Middle Eastern Division to discuss matters related to their divisions.

Togo—Alain Christophe Brun, medical librarian, Hopital de Tokoin, Lome.

Yugoslavia—Dragan Vugdelic, councillor to the Republic Administration for International Scientific, Educational, Cultural and Technical Cooperation, Montenegro.

Zaire—Tanda di Makuala Ngoma, director-general, Zairian Bureau of Radio and Television, Kinshasa.

From the United States

Larry Bruseau, cataloger, Portland (Oreg.) State University Library.

Myoung Chung, head of public services, Alexander Library, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J.

Pictured at their luncheon in the Buffet Dining Room are (left to right) delegates Todd Thompson and Fawzi Abdulruzak with James Armstrong, assistant chief of the Overseas Operations Division, and Associate Librarian of Congress Donald C. Curran.

Major General Jerry R. Curry, commanding general, U.S. Army Military District of Washington, Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C.

Ashak M. Rawji, science publisher, Metheuen, Inc., New York, N.Y.

Victoria Steele, head, Historical and Special Collections, Bio-Medical Library, University of California at Los Angeles.

STAFF NEWS

Grover S. Williams Dies
Former Legislative Attorney with CRS

Grover S. Williams, who retired from the Library of Congress in 1976, died at his home in Statesville, N.C., on Wednesday, August 24. Mr. Williams, who was 66 years old, had been in declining health for several years.

A native of Iredell County, N.C., Mr. Williams attended high school in Statesville and was also a graduate of Mars Hill College and Wake Forest University. He was appointed to the staff of the Library in 1947 as a legal indexer in the former Legislative Reference Service. Except for a period from 1947 to 1952 when he worked as a reference desk assistant in the Law Library, all of Mr. Williams' Library service was with the Congressional Research Service. He served successively as a legal digester, legal analyst, head of the Bill Digest Section, and legislative attorney, the position from which he retired.

He was accepted to practice law before the U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia, and before the U.S District Court, District of Columbia, in 1956. He served with the U.S. Army in 1941–42 and with the U.S. Maritime Service in 1944.

A former resident of Oxon Hill, Md., Mr. Williams returned to Statesville upon retirement.

Mr. Williams' survivors include two sisters, Ruth Drum of Statesville and Polly Pennington of Arlington, Va., and three brothers, Harold Rosco Williams and Charles Brandon Williams of Statesville and Walter Dewey Williams of Suitland, Md.

The family has suggested that memorial contributions be made to the Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Society of America, 15300 Ventura Blvd., Sherman Oaks, Calif. 91403.

Steve Henderson Retires

Steve Henderson, Jr., processing librarian in the Rare Book and Special Collections Division, retired on August 25 after completing 32 years of Federal service. Mr. Henderson has been in ill health recently and undergoing hospital treatment.

Mr. Henderson was born in Livingston, Ala., and attended Stillman College in Tuscaloosa. After two years of service with the U.S. Army during the Korean War he came to Washington, D.C., and joined the Library's Stack and Reader Division as a deck attendant in March 1953. In October 1960, Mr. Henderson transferred to the Rare Book and Special Collections Division where he was continuously employed, rising through the ranks to the position of processing librarian. His contributions to the Library were recognized by a quality increase in 1975 and an incentive cash award in 1978.

The staff of the Rare Book and Special Collections Division joins Mr. Henderson's many friends in the Library in wishing him a speedy recovery.

Joseph H. Howard Is Guest at Reception Given by Colleagues

On Thursday, August 11, Joseph H. Howard's Library of Congress colleagues and other guests bade him farewell at a reception in the Mumford Room. Mr. Howard, who has served as the acting director of the National Agricultural Library this year, was named director in July (see the June 27 LC *Information Bulletin*, pp. 214–5). He had previously served the Library of Congress as Assistant Librarian for Processing Services.

Mr. Howard displays the gift of a signed American Indian bowl, presented to him by the staff members of Processing Services, as Mr. Welsh and Mrs. Howard look on.

The esteem in which Mr. Howard was held was borne out by the presence of hundreds of staff members who waited in the receiving line to say goodbye personally. Deputy Librarian of Congress William J.

Among those who waited in line to bid farewell to Mr. Howard (far right) were (foreground to background) Mary Louise Mitchell, Descriptive Cataloging Division; Mary Ann Habib, Descriptive Cataloging Division; Andrew C. Pinchot, Descriptive Cataloging Division; Irene Roberts, Subject Cataloging Division; and Roy Ingersoll, librarian at the U.S. Department of the Interior.

Welsh, in his remarks on Mr. Howard's departure, noted his many accomplishments at the Library of Congress, including the decentralization of cataloging and the implementation of several cooperative cataloging programs.

Processing Services executive officer Susan Tarr read her self-composed "Ode to Joe," after which Henriette D. Avram, director for processing systems, networks and automation planning, presented Mr. Howard with a signed, American Indian covered bowl. The bowl was a gift of the Processing Services staff.

Staff Activities

Donald G. Shomette, visual information specialist in the Central Services Division, will be teaching a course on "Archeology beneath the Waters" as part of the Smithsonian Institution's fall Resident Associate Program. The course will consist of a series of six lectures on various aspects of the science of underwater archeology and a field trip to the Calvert Marine Museum in Solomons, Md., to study the Patuxent Project. The series will run from October 20 through December 1. Among his numerous other publications, Mr. Shomette is author of the recently issued book, *Shipwrecks on the Chesapeake.*

CMP Team Returns to the Throne

The 1983 Library of Congress WRA Coed Softball League Tournament was held at West Potomac Park on August 31 and September 1. The championship game pitted the Central Services Division team, led by Willie Jones, against the Catalog Connection, the team of the Catalog Management and Publication Division. It was a thrilling game that saw the Connection come back from an early 6–2 deficit to win in extra innings 11–9.

It was the third straight championship game appearance for the Connection, which also won in 1981, dominating league play that season by finishing with 15 wins and no losses. Congratulations go to the winning team and coach. Connection players are Gwen Bailey, Harold Brooks, Willie Brown, Lyndon Derouen, Eddie Dobson, Al Fisher, Greg Harley, Linda Houston, Juanita Marbury, Gladys Motley, Bea Stackhouse, Alvin Wallace, Lou Washington, Ron West, and the coach, Julius Wilson.

Personnel Changes

Appointments: Joan Alexander, bibliographer, GS–9, NLS/BPH, 30301; Marta Ayala, trainee librarian, GS–9, Trng, NP; David Cheney, analyst in science and technology, GS–7, CRS SPR, 30130.

Temporary Appointments: Alvert Banks, computer programmer trainee, GS–5, ASO, NP; Hortensia Bell, library aid, GS–1, CRS L, NP; Lorraine Evans, clerk-typist, GS–3, Inf, NP; Claire Gill, library aid, GS–2, CRS C, NP; Anita Hedgman, library aid, GS–1, CRS L, NP; Cheryl Hunt, library aid, GS–1, CRS L, NP; Lora Lafky, clerk-typist, GS–4, Ch Lit, NP; Rustin Larson, personnel clerk (typing), GS–5, Pers Opns, NP; Alexander Short, library aid, GS–3, Desc Cat, NP; Brian Simpson, section secretary, GS–5, M/B/RS, NP; Carolyn Smith,

library aid, GS–1, CRS L, NP; William Sumner, library aid, GS–3, Desc Cat, NP; Thomas Tsai, acquisitions assistant trainee, GS–5, Ord, 30475; Karen Wright, library aid, GS–1, Res, NP.

Temporary Reappointments: Elizabeth Cunningham, nurse, GS–9, Health, NP; Anise Jackson, deck attendant, GS–3, Col Mgmt, G113Z; Lynn Russ, administrative clerk, GS–4, CRS MAS, NP; Melanie Sykes, editorial assistant, GS–5, CRS F, NP.

Promotions: Johnnie Barksdale, to administrative officer, GS–12, Res, 30528; Melanie Dalyai, to clerk/reference assistant, GS–5, CRS C, 30277; Joseph Peluso, to clerk/reference assistant, GS–5, CRS C, 30277; Charles Stanhope, to administrative officer, GS-12, Res, 30528; Galina Tschursin, Share Cat, to assistant selection officer, GS–13, Col Dev, 30358; Heather Wanser, to conservator (paper), GS–11, Preserv, 30565.

Transfer: Kenneth Cockrell, CRS A, to clerk/reference assistant, GS–5, CRS C, 30277.

Resignations: Candace Brown, ELO; Pamela Brown, Inf; Barbara Dole, CRS EPW; Andrea Ekstrom, Bldgs; Regina Hodge, Cop Exam; Marsha Maguire, CRS AIS; Luisa Manfredi, Ser Rec; Delinda Mauldin, Health; William Olson, FRD; David Remington, CDS; Scott Simmon, M/B/RS; Ellen Yanofsky, Desc Cat; Michael Zikowitz, Cop Acq & Proc.

Marriage Announcement

Robert Williams and **Juanita Beckwith** were married on August 20 in Forestville, Md. Mr. Williams is a cataloger in English Language Section 1, Descriptive Cataloging Division. Mrs. Williams is with the U.S. Department of the Navy in Crystal City. The couple will reside in Forestville.

Next LC Health Forum to Address "Sexually Transmitted Diseases"

Daniel Waterman, M.D., will discuss "Sexually Transmitted Diseases" at the next LC Health Forum. The forum will take place at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, October 18, in the Mumford Room (LM 649). Dr. Waterman, who practices on Capitol Hill, specializes in infectious diseases and internal medicine.

The LC Health Forum is a series of educational symposia for employees. Programs usually last about 30 minutes followed by a 15-minute question-and-answer period.

Staff members will be permitted to attend on official time, workload permitting, with the prior approval of their supervisors.

Library Will Observe October 10 As Columbus Day Holiday

In accordance with the law, the Library will observe Columbus Day, Monday, October 10, as a holiday. Service will be available from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Law Library Reading Room, Local History and Genealogy Room, Madison Congressional Reading Room, Main Reading Room, Microform Reading Room, Newspaper and Current Periodical Room, Science Reading Room, and Social Science Reading Room (formerly the Thomas Jefferson Room).

Study facilities will be open, and the Serial Record and the Loan Divisions will provide telephone reference service from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. on October 10. All other divisions of the Library will be closed.

Regular Saturday and Sunday service will be provided on October 8 and 9.

The exhibition halls in the Library's Jefferson and Madison Buildings will be open from 8:30 a.m. until 6 p.m. on all of these days.

October Events

Saturday, October 1

Violinist Mihaela Martin and pianist Paul Ostrovsky will perform works by Brahms, Prokofiev, Schubert, and Saint-Saëns. In the Coolidge Auditorium at 5:30 p.m.

Monday, October 3

Consultant in poetry Anthony Hecht will read from his work in the opening program of the Library's 1983–84 poetry and literature season. In the Coolidge Auditorium at 8 p.m.

Wednesday, October 5

Rosalyn Adele Walker, research curator at the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of African Art, will present the second lecture in a two-part series on "African Art—A Geographic Survey." In the Mumford Room (LM 649) at 12 noon.

Thursday, October 6
Friday, October 7

The Juilliard String Quartet and clarinetist Stanley

Drucker will perform works by Brahms, Schubert, and Shapey. In the Coolidge Auditorium at 8 p.m.

Thursday, October 13
Friday, October 14

The Juilliard String Quartet and violist Michael Tree will perform works from Adam, Brahms, and Mozart. In the Coolidge Auditorium at 8 p.m.

Saturday, October 15

The Ridge Quartet will perform works by Bartók Beethoven, and Dvořák. In the Coolidge Auditorium at 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, October 18

Peter Davison, senior editor of the Atlantic Monthly Press and poetry editor of *The Atlantic*, and Nancy Wilson, a member of the faculty of the Department of English at Vassar College, will read from their poems. In the Coolidge Auditorium at 8 p.m.

Thursday, October 20
Friday, October 21

The Juilliard String Quartet will perform works by Debussy, Mozart and Sessions. In the Coolidge Auditorium at 8 p.m.

Tuesday, October 25

Pianist Frank Glazer and consultant in poetry Anthony Hecht will present a program of music and literature. In the Coolidge Auditorium at 8 p.m.

APPENDIX

Continuing Reports on the Annual Conference Of the American Library Association

Los Angeles Calif., June 25–30, 1983

Social Responsibilities Round Table

SRRT Feminist Task Force/COSWL

Three units of ALA combined to sponsor a well-attended program on military spending on Saturday evening, June 25. The Feminist Task Force and Peace Information Exchange, both of the Social Responsibilities Round Table, joined with the Committee on the Status of Women in Librarianship to hear writer Sheila Tobias speaking on "Guns or Butter? Society's Share of the Pie." Ms. Tobias is coauthor of the recent book, *What Kind of Guns Are They Buying with Your Butter? A Beginner's Guide to Defense, Weaponry, and Military Spending.* A feminist educator and historian who has also written about "math anxiety," she believes it is essential for the general public to understand the inner working of defense spending and weaponry in order to change effectively national policy. After conducting research into military spending, strategic doctrine, and defense policy, she has decided that conventional weapons are the core issue and constitute the major thrust of defense spending and policy. Citizens who want to allocate more money for social programs need to lobby for cuts in weapons. Extras like military hospitals, bands, and the like are easy targets but do not account for nearly as much money.

Ms. Tobias discussed the jargon of defense budgeting and explored allocations for weapons hidden in non-Defense Department appropriations. The defense budget can be seen from three angles: by function, by department, and by hardware. She explored the role of industry and contractors in developing and lobbying for new weapons systems and pinpointed specific programs which she sees as the most vulnerable to citizen attack, for example, the B–1 bomber and the M–1 tank. In the portion of her talk most directly relevant to libraries, she compared the costs of certain weapons to the costs for large-scale social programs. A national child abuse prevention program might cost $50 million, and, at the same time, just one F15 plane costs the same. Therefore, citizens should demand explanations for small incremental increases such as the need for 300 new planes instead of 299, because those small increases are in fact very costly and perhaps not any more effective. Ms. Tobias claims that defense spending is not really good for the economy, that it is destabilizing world economic and political relations and causing neglect of important employment and educational needs in the country. She urged librarians to help citizens study and understand military hardware and spending, to provide budget information, weapons exhibits, and information about what could really happen in the event of various military decisions.

[*Sarah Pritchard*]

Feminist Task Force

This SRRT task force conducted two business meetings and sponsored a social event for ALA women during the conference. The customary review of the exhibit areas turned up no sexist or offensive materials. In fact, one previously censured booth no longer distributed the items in question and now had a woman sales representative. The task force's newsletter, *Women in Libraries,* will pass to two new coeditors, Leslie Kahn of New Jersey and Kay Jones of New Mexico. The editors encourage contributions about women in library-related fields from all interested groups. The task force also discussed some new developments in the status and nature of round tables within ALA: first, a proposal from COPES to change the basis upon which round tables are assessed fees, and, second, the creation of a Men's Issues Task Force within SRRT. The first issue was brought before the membership meeting and successfully opposed. The question will be sent back for further consultation with round table representatives. The discussion about the Men's Issues Task Force focused on potential antifeminist trends in their program and publications and what response might be appropriate. Feminist Task Force members will study and report in January. The task force decided to join with SRRT to hold a forum for ALA presidential candidates in January, rather than hold its own separate forum as in the past. At that time, the task force will also work on two programs for the 1984 Conference, a coalition-building panel with other ALA women's groups and a major presentation with a political theme relevant to election year concerns.

The task force heard a report from the Women's Concerns Task Force of the Illinois Library Association, which is participating in the planning process for a women's building/permanent museum as part of the Chicago World's Fair in 1992. They are actively soliciting input for this project, especially regarding the development of a library and exhibits. The Illinois group is also preparing to publish a national directory of feminist librarians.

The task force's Committee on Sexual Harassment distributed a draft of a questionnaire to be sent to librarians to help assess the extent of this problem in libraries. The committee is studying various ways to fund and distribute the questionnaire, and what future actions the task force might take based on the responses. [*Sarah Pritchard*]

Coretta Scott King Task Force

This SRRT task force held its 14th annual awards breakfast on June 27. Effie Lee Morris, chair, opened the meeting. She introduced E. J. Josey, ALA Executive Board member, who welcomed the participants.

The Coretta Scott King Award is designed to commemorate the life and works of Martin Luther King, Jr., and to honor Mrs. King for her courage and determination to continue the work for peace and world brotherhood. The award is presented to an author and an illustrator for outstanding contributions which promote better understanding and appreciation of the culture and contribution of all peoples to the realization of the American dream.

This year's awards were presented to author Virginia Hamilton for *Sweet Whispers, Brother Rush* (Philomel) and to illustrator Peter Magubane for *Black Child* (Knopf). Awards for honorable mention were made this year to author Julius Lester for *This Strange New Feeling* (Dial) and to illustrators Ashley Bryan for *I'm Going to Sing: Black American Spirituals*, Vol. II (Atheneum), to Pat Cummings for *Just Us Women* by Jeannette Camer (Harper), and to John Steptoe for *All the Colors of the Race* (Lothrop, Lee, and Shepard).

The sponsors of the Coretta Scott King Award are Encyclopedia Britannica, Famous Amos Cookies, the Johnson Publishing Co., and World Book-Childcraft International, Inc. Representatives of these organizations presented the awards. [*Marie Fleming*]

Reference and Adult Services Division

RASD Program

The annual program of this division was a remarkable muddle—some fine parts but deficient as a whole. Billed as a panel discussion entitled "When Money Talks: Perspectives on Ethical and Policy Issues in Charging for Reference Services," the program provided little interplay among the panelists, one of whom (the only nonlibrarian and the most engaging of the lot) professed to have no idea why he had been invited and then proceeded to prove it in a wonderfully entertaining and interesting way.

In his eloquent introductory remarks, moderator John Berry, editor of *Library Journal*, accused librarians of being too quick to recommend charging for any service that could be counted or metered, for treating information as a commodity and libraries as retail outlets. He labeled user fees simply another unfair tax, and urged librarians to focus on the political problem of getting financial resources allocated for information sharing and transfer and not to aid in spreading the contagious disease of fees-for-reference, lest libraries deprive less wealthy patrons of full service. Richard Dougherty, director of libraries at the University of Michigan, and David Henington, director of the Houston Public Libraries, representing the practical, real-life side of the issue, where political pressures and ledger book bottom lines collide with principles, discussed services for which their libraries charge. Then Sue Savage, founder of Savage Information Services, described the ways in which her 26-person company has burgeoned by providing, for fees, the rapid responses, individual attention, and specialized services few public and academic libraries are prepared to provide.

Annual awards for outstanding accomplishments in reference were presented at the beginning of the program. Among those honored were Charles Bunge of the University of Wisconsin, who received the Mudge Citation for outstanding contributions to reference librarianship, and CIS (Congressional Information Service), which received the Dartmouth Medal for outstanding achievement in the creation of reference works for the company's numerous publications relating to government documents and statistics.

The first-ever RAZZMATAZZ awards for all-time best reference works were announced by RASD president Danuta Nitecki. Not a soul expressed surprise when, with appropriate fanfare, the *World Almanac* was given laurels as the "single most helpful reference tool" by vote of the entire RASD membership. [*Winston Tabb*]

Genealogy Committee and History Section

"How to Give Programs on Helping Librarians Serve Genealogists" was the title of two training sessions held by the Genealogy Committee on June 25 and 26. Charles King, Louisville Free Public Library, moderated. Speakers were Ann Reinert, Nebraska State Historical Society Library; Carolyn L. Michaels, formerly with the DAR Library; Michael Clegg, Allen County Public Library, Fort Wayne, Ind.; and Charles Clement, Genealogical Library, Salt Lake City. The two-part program described planning the ALA genealogy programs in San Francisco and Philadelphia, gave specific "how-to" steps for

planning a workshop , and presented a state-of-the-art report on genealogy.

Handouts included flyers describing the Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research, Samford University Library, Birmingham, and Brigham Young University's genealogy home study program; "Suggestions for Local History and Genealogy Services in Local Libraries" by Andrea Clark, Oklahoma Historical Society Library; and Charles Clement's "Planning a Workshop."

Some do's and don'ts for planning genealogical reference workshops emphasized during the program were using local librarians, not overscheduling, monitoring arrangements and keeping in touch with speakers, being flexible, checking audiovisual equipment, keeping detailed financial records, supplying handouts, and staying on schedule.

"Indexing the News: Alternatives for Print and Video" was the topic of the History Section's program on June 27. The program committee was cochaired by Samuel J. Boldrick, Miami-Dade County Public Library, and Charles Cummings, Newark Public Library, and sponsored by the section's Local History Committee. Other speakers were Craig McKnight, Bell and Howell; John E. O'Connor, New Jersey Institute of Technology; and James F. Pilkington, Vanderbilt Television News Archive.

The two-part program first described newspaper indexing (traditional and computer generated) and then discussed television news indexing. Charles Cummings began by describing newspaper clipping and indexing, including why and how to clip newspapers. Indexing is done for several reasons and there are five types of indexes: commercial, library produced, newspaper produced, shoe box indexes, and news data banks. Mr. Cummings told how he has indexed (shoe box index) the *Newark Star-Ledger*.

Next, Samuel J. Boldrick, Miami-Dade County Library, described how he has produced a computer generated newspaper index for *The Miami Herald* and other Miami newspapers. *The Miami Newspapers Index* is available for $150 for a year's subscription. (Public libraries in Minneapolis, Cleveland, and St. Louis also have produced computer generated newspaper indexes.)

Some do's and don'ts for computer newspaper indexing include indexing the edition of the newspaper that will be microfilmed, indexing current newspapers before doing retrospective indexing, using a large computer not an Apple II, not editorializing, not manipulating headlines, and watching contracts carefully. Craig McKnight described the Bell and Howell newspaper indexes, their history, how they index, and what they index.

Television news indexing was the second topic. Charles Cummings described the *New Jersey Television News Abstract and Index*, which is a card index to the New Jersey Nightly News on channel 13 in Newark. John E. O'Connor then listed the uses of film and television and discussed the value of collecting and preserving the news. He felt that the historical profession does not consider television news valuable for them.

James P. Pilkington described the Vanderbilt Television News Archive. This collection consists of video tape of the evening newscasts of the three major commercial networks back to August 5, 1968. *Television News Index and Abstracts* is available for a $72 annual subscription charge. This index is manually done on three-by-five cards and not automated. Most of the 1,600 annual users are long-distance telephone callers and those from academic institutions, especially political scientists. One of the great achievements of the archive is the recognition of the right of libraries to video tape and lend television news under copyright law.

A handout, "Indexing the News: Alternatives for Print and Video," and a brochure from the Vanderbilt Television News Archive were distributed. Audio cassettes (two tapes) of this presentation are available for $11.95 each from ALA. *[Judith Reid]*

AFL–CIO/RASD Library Service to Labor Groups Joint Committee

"Staying Alive: Workplace Health and Safety" was the topic of the program meeting of this joint committee, with the cosponsorship of the SRRT Library Union Task Force. Lawrence White, author of the book *Human Debris: The Injured Worker in America*, spoke on workers' compensation laws. Drawing on his experience as a workers' compensation lawyer, he described the widespread ignorance of the subject. People do not know that it is a system of private insurance, that benefits do not cover the costs of injuries, and the employee may not bring suit against the employer. He saw the last feature as the reason for strong employer support of workers' compensation in its early days.

Mr. White viewed workers' compensation as an assembly-line operation giving an approximation of rough justice. Tables of compensation for loss of specific limbs have been set up, and Texas lawyers have a schematic chart of the body giving the value of each part. In some states, the cost of workers' compensation is a political issue, and thus the relationship of benefits to premiums varies from state to state. Mr. White considered the strength of organized labor to be a significant factor. While doing research for his book, he learned much about worker health and safety and the Occupational Safety and Health

Administration (OSHA). He saw OSHA as beneficial when not weakened by the administration in charge.

The topic of worker health and safety was continued by Diane Factor, an industrial hygienist with the California OSHA. She described particular health hazards of librarians, including stress, indoor air pollution, and problems associated with VDTs (computer terminals). She mentioned stress in meeting the public and working in insecure areas. Ms. Factor also mentioned possible hazards from toxic chemicals found in carpets and other building materials, silver nitrate films, and nickel from book spines, among other sources. She emphasized the need for health and safety committees in each library and that health and safety data sheets are available for their use. She also mentioned the COSHs (committees on occupational safety and health) in many areas which serve as clearinghouses. [*Peter Kidder*]

Library and Information Technology Association

Information Science and Automation Section

The meeting of this section, chaired by James C. Thompson, took place on Saturday, June 25. Four panelists discussed nine papers presented at the LITA preconference institute (held June 23–24) on "Online Catalogs, Online Reference: Converging Trends." Topics and synopses included a consideration of the ideal automated information system—functions and capabilities—and what surveys of online use seem to indicate about both the user and the system itself.

Other papers summarized and commented upon by the panelists included the practical considerations involved in implementing an online system (such as the changing role of library staff, costs). Also considered were papers whose titles are self-describing: "Hard Reality and the Online Catalog" and "What Happens after the Item Is Found?" Speakers generally concluded that although the stated purpose of the preconference was a consideration of the way various automated systems are converging, in reality the papers presented a multiplicity of trends rather than convergence in automated reference systems.

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TESLA

The Technical Standards for Library Automation Committee (TESLA) of LITA met three times during the Annual Conference. As the focus of LITA this coming year is to be on standards and communications, the committee is developing possible topics for the two hourlong LITA programs at the 1984 Annual Conference.

The questionnaire for the MARC Compatibility Survey has been approved by the LITA Board of Directors and will be distributed to vendors to determine to what degree various systems accommodate the USMARC format.

R. Bruce Miller gave an update on his article on video display terminals (VDTs) and health related issues that appeared in the June issue of *Information Technology and Libraries*.

Status reports were given on ANSC Z39 (Library and Information Sciences and Related Publishing Practices), ANSC X3 (Information Processing Systems), and the proposed USMARC Format for Holdings and Locations. [*Gary K. McCone*]

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